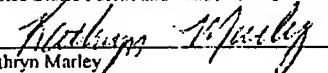


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**RESPONSE/AMENDMENT**

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In response to the Office Action mailed 6 August 2004, Applicant requests the following  
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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2  
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